IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA SOUTHERN DIVISION No. 7:09-CV-114-D

CECIL LOUIS HIGGINBOTHAM,)
Plaintiff,)
v.	ORDER
MICHAEL J. ASTRUE, Commissioner of Social Security,))
Defendant.)

Pursuant to sentence four of section 205(g) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. §405(g), and upon consideration of the Commissioner's unopposed motion to remand this action for further administrative proceedings [D.E. 16], the court hereby REVERSES the Commissioner's decision under sentence four of 42 U.S.C. §405(g), and REMANDS the action to the Commissioner for further administrative proceedings with respect to plaintiff's claim of disability. See Shalala v. Schaefer, 509 U.S. 292, 296–97 (1993); Melkonyan v. Sullivan, 501 U.S. 89, 97–98 (1991). Plaintiff's motion for judgment on the pleadings [D.E. 12] is DENIED as moot.

SO ORDERED. This 7 day of June 2010.

JAMES C. DEVER III United States District Judge